





PRESS RELEASE

Warren Murder Suspect Charged with 1st Degree Murder – Bond denied

The Warren Police Department would like to provide an update to the charges and bond information regarding a suspect involved in a homicide in Warren on Saturday (07/13/2024).

On 07/13/2024 at approximately 2:00pm, Warren Police Dispatch received a 911 call from 71-year-old James Hentges who resides in the 24,000 block of Loretta Avenue (near Stephens & Ryan). James Hentges informed dispatch that he had killed his 70-year-old wife (Cheryl Hentges) inside of his residence several hours ago. James Hentges then informed dispatch that, after killing his wife, he had attempted to commit suicide by overdose and had slit his wrists. Warren Police Officers arrived on scene quickly and took James Hentges into custody without force or incident. Officers noted that James Hentges had bandaged wrists consistent with a suicide attempt. Officers then entered the residence and located Cheryl Hentges deceased inside the residence. The Warren Fire Department then transported James Hentges to an area hospital wherein he was medically cleared and returned to the Warren Police Department Jail. During his interview with investigators, James Hentges admitted his direct involvement in his wife's murder.

The facts of this case were then presented to the Macomb County Prosecutor's Office for review. On 07/15/2024, the Macomb County Prosecutor's Office charged James Hentges with one count of Murder – 1st Degree (life, without parole). Today (07/16/2024), James Hentges was arraigned at the 37th District Court by Chief Judge John Chmura wherein a not guilty plea was entered. Bond was denied and James Hentges was remanded to custody. His next court date is 07/25/2024. James Hentges shows no prior criminal convictions.

Mug Shot Below

For further information, please contact Warren Police Commissioner Charles Rushton @ 586-574-4803 or 586-823-9845



James Hentges, booking photo